
GREECE SUSPENDS ASYLUM CLAIMS FOR MIGRANTS ARRIVING BY SEA FROM NORTH AFRICA, PM MITSOTAKIS SAYS

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Greece continues to be a key entry point to the EU for people escaping conflict and hardship in the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

Greece's government said on Wednesday it is temporarily suspending asylum applications for migrants arriving in the country by sea from North Africa, following a spike in arrivals from Libya.

More than 2,000 migrants have landed on the island of Crete since the weekend, according to coastguard figures, bringing the total number of arrivals this year to over 10,000.

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